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Birthday Party

Last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox entertained several young people in honor of Miss Hazel Ruddy, who was celebrating an important birthday.

Games, contests, stunts and community singing kept the young folks occupied for a couple of hours.

At midnight a delicious lunch was served. The table, adorned with a lace cloth, was centred with a decorated birthday cake and lighted with tall pink tapers.

The guests assembled presented Hazel with a Parker pen and wished her many years of happiness and the best of luck in her endeavors.

RETURNS FOR EASTER VISIT

Ralph Brandon, who has been absent from the main drive for the past three months, returned for Easter with his folks.

Ralph has been working south of Lethbridge and into Montana as far as Great Falls. He reports everything much the same as our local weather and wishes the Chronicle to say hello to all his friends here.

Calgary Hotel Rates to be Adjusted

Hotel rates in Calgary will be adjusted following a meeting of the Alberta Hotel Association Tuesday afternoon. Fred Thompson, secretary, announced Monday night.

An increase in rates was allowed through a federal order issued Monday removing hotels from the controlled rental category and allowing a 10 per cent increase in domestic rentals.

J. Graham, president of the Calgary Property Owners' Association, declined to comment on the regulations until they have been studied by the directors of the association this week.

Increases could be made in hotel rates Monday, but most proprietors Monday night said they were not planning any raise until the subject had been thoroughly discussed by the association. It is expected increases will be made in various hotels where greater services such as telephones have been added and renovations have been made since rates were fixed. Greater increases will be made on accommodation now demanding higher prices, with a smaller spread on rooms renting for lower sums.

It is expected the over-all increase in Calgary will be in line with those planned in Eastern Canada, estimated between 10 and 15 per cent.

A maximum 10 per cent increase in rental ceilings on all self-contained housing accommodation was authorized by the prices board in cases where the landlord is prepared to offer the tenant a renewal lease for a minimum term of two years when the present lease expires.

Local News

Mrs. Leslie Hign is improving nicely from her recent sickness.

Glyn Marston of Calgary is spending his holidays at the Wm. Hales farm.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Westworth, a son, on April 6 in the Holy Cross Hospital.

Mrs. M. Sutherland spent a few days this week visiting friends at Carstairs.

Miss Lois Gilchrist of Calgary spent the Easter week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gordon here.

Tucker Lin, famed chef of the Public Lunch Cafe in Okla was a Sunday visitor in town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller and son Kenneth were visitors in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Tals left on Thursday for a trip to the old country, in their case being Holland.

W. H. Miller has started to tear down some of the buildings on his farm east of town.

Ernie Farrell has returned home from the hospital and while he looks well, he has been ordered to take it easy for a while.

Jimmie Stevens of the Bank of Commerce staff in Haddady, spent the Easter holiday at the home of his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bills took in the hockey game in Calgary on Saturday night last week.

Merle Heywood has accepted a position as manager of a hotel and store at Robb, Alta., and leaves in a few days to take up his new duties.

Russell Bills is a patient in a Calgary hospital and the good wishes of the neighbors go out for his speedy recovery.

Miss Isabel Leask of Rosalind, B.C. is spending the Easter vacation with her mother, Mrs. George Leask in Madden.

Rev. Art Morgan, Boys' Work secretary of Alberta Religious Educational Council, will conduct the services in the United Churches of Madden and Crossfield on Sunday, April 13. All welcome.

The East Community Neighbors Club continued its round of surprise parties last week. On Wednesday a visit was made to the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Aldred with enough members present to form seven tables of "500". Prizes were won by Mrs. K. Pierce and Fred Adams, with the consolation going to Mrs. J. Aldred and Wm. Aldred. On Saturday night the members met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Boyer and again seven tables of "500" enjoyed the evening. Prizes this time went to Mrs. E. Farrell and H. Wagle and the consolation to Mrs. K. Pierce and E. Farrell. On Monday night of this week the same crowd paid a "welcome home" visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smart who have returned to the farm after spending the past year residing in town. Six tables of "500" were played, the winners being Mrs. J. Aldred and Alf Bailey and the consolation went to Mrs. W. Landmore and Ken Pierce. Lunch was served on each occasion and everyone voted it as having been a good time.

Business at the regular monthly meeting of the village council held on Tuesday evening was mostly of a routine nature. Orders were placed for a new lawn mower for the cemetery and also for some culverts. The by-law setting the mill rate for the year was finally passed with the rate for municipal purposes the same as last year at 18 mills, but with an increase of 3 mills, making it 21 mills for school tax, to take care of the personal property tax which has been cancelled.

Operational Wings for Doug Hall Awarded

P/O Warren Douglas Hall, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hall of Crossfield, has been posthumously awarded the Operational Wings of the R.C.A.F.

Operational. He joined in June 1941 and received his wings at Yorkton. After further training in Charlottetown he went overseas in November, 1942.

P/O Hall was assigned to the East Asia command and was reported missing in May, 1944, after operations in Burma.

The flier was born in Calgary but moved to Crossfield at an early age, receiving his education there. Besides his parents he is survived by two sisters, Cora, of Claresholm, and Alice of Langdon.

A. D. Stevens Heads Curling Club

The annual meeting of the Crossfield Curling Club was held in the waiting room at the rink on Monday evening. Reports were read showing a successful year with a club membership of 75 men, 22 ladies and 24 high school pupils, with a nice cash balance after all expenses had been provided for.

Also read and discussed was a building committee report, which showed cash on hand enough to complete the roof.

Especially commended were the ladies who had so ably operated the lunch counter and also Wm. Strain, who built, installed and donated the counter and also the carpenter and stoker.

Officers for 1947 elected were: Hon. president, William Strain; president, A. D. Stevens; vice-president, George Scott; executive committee: L. B. Beddoes, W. W. Stafford, C. Fox and F. Laut. This committee was also given power to add to members.

It is hoped that the building can be completed this year and to do this will need the same generous response from workers as we had last year.

Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Lilley and Mrs. Mrs. Wood were appointed to write a record of the club's activities since it was first organized, this to be in the form that it can be added to each year. It is hoped that the various organizations in the district will make use of the available waiting rooms for meetings, etc., and that gradually a real community centre will be developed.

MAINTENANCE OF ATOMIC PLANT COSTS MILLIONS

Maintenance of the atomic research plant at Deep River has cost the people of Canada more than \$21,500,000 since work on its erection commenced in 1944, it was revealed Monday in the House of Commons, when Reconstruction Minister C. R. Howe tabled a return on a request for information by E. G. McCullough, C.C.F. member for Assiniboia.

During the first year 1944-45, maintenance costs were \$2,830,106; during 1945-46 the figure rose to \$4,202,466, and for 1947-48, to the end of February the cost of maintaining the plant was \$6,504,828.

CHURCHES

CROSSFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. J. W. MacDonald
Sunday morning services, 11:00 a.m.
Bible school, 2:00 noon.
Wednesday prayer service, 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, Junior Y. P. service, 7:00 p.m.
Friday, Senior Y. P. service, 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Service Sunday, April 13
Rev. J. M. Roe, Rector
Easter Communion at 11:00 a.m.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

ROBERT HEALTH UNIT
We have Inoculation clinics will be held once a month as follows:
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Coal Increase Seen

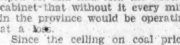
Lands Minister Tanner of Alberta today had no comment to make on the possibility of an increase in the price of coal in western Canada.

An increase of 50 cents to \$1.25 per ton is foreseen, however, because of the federal government's recent announcement that controls on coal were being lifted. In submissions to the Alberta cabinet during the legislative session just ended, coal operators had protested that the proposed increase in provincial royalties would mean that mines would be operating under a deficit.

In making their protests, operators were not aware that the federal subsidy was to be removed April 15, and had told the Alberta cabinet that without it every mine in the province would be operating at a loss.

Since the ceiling on coal prices and the subsidy disappear on the same day, it is felt certain that coal prices will rise to meet the situation.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

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Agriculturists Dreaming Of A Bumper Crop Next Fall

—Forecasting Early

WINNIPEG.—It's a long way to harvest time but if fall rains and winter snow mean anything, western Canada may produce a bumper crop this year. Precipitation over the prairies from Sept. 1-March 1 averaged 7.9 inches against the normal of 4.92 and 6.53 for the same period of 1945-46.

Nature has to co-operate in more ways than fall and winter precipitation. Good crops require June rains and good, filling-out showers in the late growing season. Heat waves, frost, insects, rain during harvest time, all combine to cut down production. But agriculturists are dreaming of a 450,000,000-bushel wheat crop next fall provided the breaks come their way. Last year's was about 415,000,000 and the record, in 1942, of 525,000,000 bushels.

Fall rains were 128 per cent. of normal in Alberta, 117 per cent. in Saskatchewan and 107 per cent. in Manitoba. During the first four of the five official winter months the snowfall averaged 49.2 inches, as compared with a normal 29.8. In 1915 when yield was 25.6 bushels an acre, an all-time high, the snowfall was only 21 inches.

The precipitation, fairly well spread over the prairies with the exception of the dust-bowl area along the southern Alberta-Saskatchewan border, may prove a mixed blessing, however. While no crop ever flourishing without a good moisture reserve, lands may be too wet this spring to allow farmers to seed until early May. The later the seeding, the smaller the acreage sown.

GOVERNMENT NOT AGAINST ROYAL MATCH

LONDON.—A government source said there was reason to believe the government would not oppose a marriage between Princess Elizabeth and former Prince Philip of Greece.

The source said the cabinet had discussed the long-run romance informally. The members, he indicated, appeared to have recognized that "the two young people are very fond of each other" and that Elizabeth's affection for Philip is "very real."

Under British precedent the government would have to approve any man, whom the heiress-presumptive to the throne might select as her consort. Some sections of the people have objected to Philip because of his connection with Greece, which many labor leaders consider now to be a neo-Fascist country.

The official London Gazette announced that Philip had been granted British citizenship under the name of Lieut. Philip Mountbatten—the same name as his uncle, Lord Louis Mountbatten, viceroy-designate of India. The step had been regarded as a necessary prelude to any announcement of his engagement to Elizabeth.

House Of Commons To Extend Emergency Control Legislation

—To Prevent Confusion

OTTAWA.—The commons, after hearing Justice Minister Ilesley told that "confusion if not chaos would result from an abrupt ending of controls in Canada," decided to give the government authority to extend emergency control legislation from March 29 to May 15.

A similar motion now must pass the senate, before the government can prevent automatic expiry March 31 of controls on rents, evictions, prices, marketing and other matters.

The division was requested by Prime Minister Mackenzie King and his colleagues after several members had shouted "no" when speaking Gaspard Fautoux called for passage of the emergency motion. Dr. Fautoux said he acted in accordance with house rules.

Some Progressive Conservative members charged the motion had been carried before Mr. King got to his feet to ask for the recorded division which brought opposition from 13 eastern members.

John Bracken, opposition leader and John Diefenbaker (P.C.-Lake Centre) asked for and obtained assurances that during the six-week extension of the emergency act the government would pass no orders-in-council affecting anything beyond what was contained in legislation now before the house.

Mr. Ilesley told Mr. Bracken he was

prepared to bring in an "omnibus" bill under which the main controls will be continued for a year. On introducing the legislation he would explain its provisions.

C.C.F. leader Coldwell said he believed it was essential that the government should have the power to introduce controls. Social Credit leader Low said that while his party was supporting the extension motion he hoped no further extension would be required.

Later the commons voted 134-58 to give second reading to a bill covering the sale and export of agricultural products needed to fill bacon, cheese, egg, meat and other commodity contracts with the United Kingdom.

The reading, which signifies adoption of the principle of the bill, came after Agriculture Minister Gardiner warned that while the legislation was scheduled to be in force for only one year he might have to come back next year and ask for passage of a similar bill to meet contracts with Britain.

Mr. Gardiner said the only principle in the bill that the government was insisting on was the power to fill the food contracts with the United Kingdom. Because the contracts ran beyond March 31, 1946, it was possible that he might have to bring down similar legislation next year.

RIOTS CONTINUE IN THE PUNJAB

RAWALPINDI, India.—Twelve days after the outbreak of rioting in the Punjab, murder and arson are still spreading through the northern districts and appalling casualty figures are expected when an adequate check can be made.

Indications are that virtually every village in the 10,000-square-mile area around this cantonment city has experienced murder and arson since March 5.

There are about 700,000 Moslems and 50,000 Sikhs and Hindus in the Rawalpindi area. So far about 20,000 Hindus and Sikhs have been counted into refugee camps. There is considerable anxiety about the remainder, since reports from many villages show that Sikhs and Hindus who failed to find refuge by flight or with Moslem protectors were murdered.

According to refugees, attacks on villages are usually made in the night, with raiders coming from neighboring villages. Frequently the first authorities hear of an outbreak is smoke reported by patrolling aircraft.



FLOWERS FOR THE PRINCESS—King George and Queen Elizabeth smile as their daughter, Princess Elizabeth, receives a bouquet from a curlysing young miss on their visit to Port Elizabeth, South Africa.

BLACK MARKET IN CANADA LIMITED

OTTAWA.—In relation to other countries, Canada's black market has been "very, very limited," Donald Gordon said, and it was "not a major headache of price control."

Testifying before the commons banking committee, the prices board chairman said: "With a few exceptions, we have not found any organized black markets. They have been on a small scale and had no chronic or serious aspects. I would say without hesitation that the Canadian people are basically honest."

He said the system of price control "has the early objective of complete decontrol" and added that lifting of remaining subsidies was a matter of timing. The board would maintain subsidies on certain commodities until foreign conditions were such that it could be reasonably sure that prices had achieved stability.

STAR CITY YOUTH ON RADIO NETWORK

STAR CITY, Sask.—Ralph Groat, who sang on the CBC national network program "Pacific Showcases" in Vancouver recently is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Groat of Star City. He is 19 years old and a baritone. In Star City he sang with the choral society, golf clubs and dance bands and has taken part in musical festivals. Since his arrival in Vancouver he has sung in night clubs and appeared as guest artist on the program designed to introduce new talent to the radio audience.

RECORD SEIZURE IN NARCOTICS

NEW YORK.—Seizure of 450 ounces of heroin valued at \$1,147,500 in the black market—the largest such seizure ever made in the port of New York—was announced by the collector of customs.

The narcotics were taken from the French freighter St. Tropes at its east river berth and a French sailor was arrested and charged with smuggling narcotics.



UNDERGROUND HEROINE WEBS ZIONIST PRESIDENT—Decorated for her wartime services with the French underground, Iala Fleg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tovim of Jerusalem and widow of the late Edmund Fleg, recently became bride of Samuel J. Zarka, president of Zionist organization of Canada.



BRITISH GUARD CROSSROADS IN PALESTINE—With 11 extremists and a British soldier dead in the latest outbreaks of violence in Tel Aviv, Palestine, armed British soldiers take up positions with Bren guns at a crossroads leading to Jaffa and Allenby. After a week of strict martial law, an attack on British military headquarters brought a new crisis.

Agriculture Minister Gardiner Sees Levelling Off of Prices

PROVINCES TO ADOPT UNIFORM ROAD SIGNS

REGINA.—Highways Minister J. T. Douglas welcomed the news that British Columbia was planning to inaugurate uniform road signing in conjunction with the prairie provinces.

"This will come as an added convenience to the motoring public," commented Mr. Douglas. "At the moment there is no co-operation between the four western provinces on such matters as speed limits and other safety measures."

The three prairie provinces, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, have been working together for some time now and have reached the point where road signing is fairly uniform. Last winter British Columbia was represented for the first time at a highway traffic board conference attended by representatives of the prairie provinces.

Public Works Minister E. C. Carson of British Columbia announced that the Pacific coast province would adopt uniform road signing in conjunction with the prairie provinces. Mr. Carson also said that province would undertake the removal of non-essential signs from the highways as an additional highway help.

TOKEN SHIPMENTS ARE INCREASED

OTTAWA.—The United Kingdom has agreed to accept from Canadian exporters token shipments on 37 additional products, the trade department announced. Ramping from garlic salt to nylon stockings, the new list brings to 201 the number of products now eligible for token shipment to the United Kingdom.

Donald Gordon's Resignation Seen As Precursor Of Early Dissolution Of Prices Board

OTTAWA.—Resignation of Donald Gordon from the chairmanship of the wartime prices and trade board is a precursor of early dissolution of that wartime control body, according to informed sources here.

Kenneth W. Taylor, who assumes Mr. Gordon's position as chairman, is at present, as he has been for years past, the chief economic officer of the department of finance.

It is logical, therefore, that, as reliable sources say, the dwindling control of rent ceilings will be headed over to the Central Mortgage and Housing corporation which operates within the authority of the federal department of finance. Control of lumber and building materials prices and supplies may also go to the Central Mortgage and Housing.

Both price ceilings and rationing on meat are expected to be abolished before next September. Dropping of meat control will wipe out one of the biggest functions—and headaches—of W.P.T.B.

Enforcement of meat and sugar rationing has required probably more rigid supervision, and more inspectors, than any other branch of commodity control.

Total employees of the W.P.T.B. reached a peak, in fact, of 5,726 in October, 1945, immediately after rationing of meat was adopted.

Since then, the number of employees of the board has been gradually dwindling. The total is projected to drop to about 4,000 on March 31, and thereafter is expected to decrease very rapidly.

As these functions of the W.P.T.B. disappear, the remnants of controls such as distribution of sugar and fixing of sugar prices by the sugar control division at Montreal will be, according to this information, handed over to authority of the federal department of trade and commerce.

The commodity stabilization which has all Canada's bulk buying from foreign sources from raisins to tea and fats and oils, now operates under the wartime prices and trade board. Logically, its operations also are expected to be transferred to the department of trade and commerce.

In short, the objective of the government, as has been stated time and time again in the house, is to continue rapidly to abolish the remnants of wartime subsidies, price ceilings and rationing at the earliest moment consistent with avoiding economic confusion.

INVESTIGATE BOMBS WASHED ASHORE

MIDLAND, Ont.—Investigation by Royal Canadian Mounted Police agents into reports that live ammunition dumped into 400 feet of water in Georgian Bay last summer is being washed ashore confirms that three small cases of mortar bombs have been thrown up by the bay, it was learned.

Two cases, each containing three bombs, were washed ashore on Griffiths Island, 20 miles north of Owen Sound, said Corporal G. V. Eaton of the R.C.M.P.

The British Islands were purchased by the United States from Denmark in 1917. 2717

FIVE VESSELS THAT LEFT MARITIMES HAVE BECOME "GHOST" SHIPS

HALIFAX—When the 71-year-old professor sailed from fog-shrouded Mahone Bay harbor early last September for an Atlantic crossing, fishermen tried to dissuade him from making the trip in the tiny yacht. But they did not predict any trouble for the vessel was a sturdy Nova Scotia craft.

Adventureome, sea-loving men had many times before left on long trips alone in tiny ships purchased along the Nova Scotia shores. And Prof. N. H. B. Quirk was also fulfilling a life-time ambition as he raised sails and pointed his vessel towards the horizon. He was headed home—to Durban, South Africa.

He promised to write friends here when he reached his destination but the only letters which have arrived have been from his wife's solicitor seeking to trace the missing man.

Ship broker J. G. Stairs who sold him the craft said the aged professor had little sea experience and in all probability had met death on the wide Atlantic.

In recent months five ships have left ports along the Nova Scotia and New England coasts on similar "ghost" voyages.

First to disappear into an Atlantic storm was the tiny motor coaster Levaillant. Carrying five Norwegian seamen, who had put down their last dollar to purchase the ship and go into business for themselves, the trader sailed from Digby, N.S., for Puerto Rico.

Early in January an American ship reached port and reported the Levaillant had been sighted off the New England coast in a heavy gale and

listing badly. Rescue craft were dispatched but the Levaillant, with no radio communication, disappeared without a trace. Rescue ships and search planes covered the surrounding area for days in a fruitless hunt.

Next ship to sail into a misty Atlantic never to be heard from again was the Newfoundland schooner Francis Robie, with five fishermen homeward bound, the tiny fishing craft sailed from Halifax Nov. 4 into the teeth of a 40-mile gale.

When she failed to make her home port of Bay of Bulls in the scheduled five days, air and sea rescue squads were put on the alert and a search started. Planes covered 3,000 square miles of water and R.C.M.P. cutters criss-crossed the area for days, but no trace of the 3-ton vessel was found.

Early this year still another vessel, the Boston trawler Belle, was the object of a fruitless search. With 17 men aboard the 115-foot vessel disappeared port that her engine had broken down and she was taking in water.

Coast Guard planes and search craft scoured the area repeatedly without finding a single bit of wreckage. Now, she has also been added to the list of missing ships.

Even today seamen and search craft were trying to solve the riddle of the Canadian freighter Novadoc. The ship was put down their last dollar to purchase the ship and go into business for themselves, the trader sailed from Digby, N.S., for Puerto Rico.

With a 23-man crew, the lake-type ship was en route from Digby, N.S., to New York with a cargo of gypsum.

Edible War-Time Flour Was High Explosive

NEW YORK—It looked like flour. It smelled like flour. It tasted like flour. It was given a well-known brand name.

But it could blow up a bridge as easily as dynamite.

This time novelists' dream—a new edible explosive—was revealed for the first time by Prof. George B. Kistiakowsky of Harvard University.

The use to which the explosive was put during the war sounded even more like something from a yellow-backed thriller.

"We were asked to devise an explosive which could be shipped to our Chinese collaborators by the ton," Kistiakowsky said of the task assigned to the National Defense Research Committee's explosives laboratory at Princeton, Pa.

"This material was the result," he continued. "It could be made into dough and baked into bread which tasted just like ordinary bread."

"It could be exploded in the flour, dough, or bread form with equal effect by anyone knowing how to detonate it."

This blasting flour was shipped in bags, labelled flour, to neutral countries and transhipped to Japanese Army quartermaster depots, where part of it was unknowingly eaten by Japanese soldiers, while the rest found its way into the hands of guerrillas and saboteurs.

The Japanese never discovered the secret of the flour, Kistiakowsky said.

He Didn't Know Everything

"When you read about the infallible crime investigator who sees all and knows all, don't you believe it," counseled William J. Burns, the noted detective. "There's no such animal." And then he told this story on himself:

"One morning," he said, "I was walking down Market Street in San Francisco. As I strode along, proud and happy, a rose in my buttonhole and a gold-headed cane in my hand, a drunken man had the impudence to stop me."

"Ain't you Mr. Burns?" he asked.

"Yes," said I. "What of it?"

"Mr. Burns, the detective?" he hiccupped.

"Yes, yes. Who are you?" I asked impatiently.

"Mr. Burns," said he, "I'll tell you who I am. I'm—hic—the husband of your washerwoman."

"Well, what of it?"

My scorn brought a sneer to the man's lips, and he said:

"You see, you don't know everything, Mr. Burns."

"What don't I know?"

"A considerable crowd had been attracted by the exchange, and were hanging on our words."

"Stepping a little closer, and prodding me with a belligerent forefinger, the washerwoman's husband exclaimed, 'Well, you don't know that—hic—, I'm wearin' one of your white shirts!'"

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WARTIME DEVICE WILL HELP IN SAVING COAL

LONDON—A smoke-eliminator invented during the war to prevent convoys revealing their positions to U-boats now is being used in merchant vessels to effect a five-percent saving in coal.

The method involves admitting air over a boiler fire to mix with volatile constituents which make up about a third of the coal and enable them to burn in the boiler instead of being carried out in the exhaust stream.

Jitterbug Dancing On The Way Out

CHICAGO—The jitterbug who thinks his frenetic frolicking makes the world go round will soon discover the world's gone square.

That's the word from Ray Bolger, dancing comedian playing here.

"The jitterbug is on the way out. He was a reflection on a desperate era, a product of a world that was going to get today we face grave problems, but we face them purposefully with a growing sense of personal concern. This is reflected in our dancing, which is again becoming a thing of relaxation and skill rather than a matter of athletics."

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Cities Have Many Health Hazards

As Canada's population gravitates to towns and cities, such health hazards as noise, smoke, odors, dust and other evils of congestion increase. Public health engineering forces seek to control such dangers by studying their causes and prevention. The Dominion is particularly concerned in ensuring safety of water for human use, adequate and efficient disposal of wastes and, among other matters, sanitary conditions for water, ice and foods aboard trains, ships and planes.

NEW METHOD FOR GROOMING ANIMALS

A United Kingdom firm has developed a new use for suction cleaners—that of grooming animals. A special machine which it has produced for this purpose is mounted on a small push handle base fitted with caterpillar tracks for mobility and capable of being driven either by a miniature petrol engine or by a 1½ horsepower motor. The filter contains a removable top, thus enabling the internal dust bag to be emptied. Equipment includes an assortment of cleaning tools and brushes.



STONK, LOADED DOWN, OVERTAKES TRAVELLER—Narrowly winning a race with the stork on a plane trip from Europe, Mrs. Irene D. Maderios, 22-year-old Czech wife of former soldier Frank D. Maderios, of San Bruno, Calif., gave birth to twins at Gandor, Newfoundland. Mother and infants were doing well when they arrived at New York on the second lap of their journey to California.

Los Angeles Man Designs New Car

LOS ANGELES—An aluminum automobile, smooth as an egg and almost the same shape, is nearing completion in the back shop of an obscure Los Angeles body plant.

Its interior designer, Sherman Hewson, gave a preview of the beetle-like car which Hewson says will revive the aviation industry.

"Almost every part of this car can be made in existing aircraft plants," Hewson said.

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Columbus really saw America on Oct. 11, 1492, but did not land in the Bahamas Isles until the next day.

Diver To Hunt Gold On Sunken Ship

AUCKLAND, N.Z.—A fortune in gold sunken aboard the Canadian-Australian Line steamship Niagara during the war will be sought again this year when John Johnston, Australian deep-sea diver, completes plans for a new diving bell.

The liner was mined and sunk off the New Zealand coast in June, 1940, while bringing £2,758,000 (\$1,032,000) in gold from South Africa to Sydney, Australia. A major part of this was recovered in salvage operations by Johnstone in 1941.

It is believed 35 bars of gold, valued at \$500,000, still are in the sunken bulk of the 13,415-ton vessel.

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Bomb Warning Clears London Theatre

LONDON—The Granada movie theatre in the southwest London suburb of Farringham was cleared inside a few minutes recently after a bomb warning had been received by police.

The program was halted and the manager mounted the stage and asked the audience to leave quickly and quietly by all exits because there had been a "technical hitch."

Police surrounded the building while officers entered and searched the premises. It was stated that the warning came from an anonymous caller using a public call-box in the vicinity.

During recent months there have been many warnings of bombings some of them attributed to Jewish terrorist groups.

TERRIFYING STORIES OF JUVENILE CRIME; NEGLECT CAUSING IT

A terrifying story of juvenile crime in the United States and of the neglect which is at least partly responsible is told in an article by Albert Deutsch in the "Woman's Home Companion" for March. The following is condensed from this article:

"For heaven's sake catch me before I fall, I cannot control myself."

That was the message Chicago police found scrawled in lipstick in an apartment in which a young woman was stabbed to death. The police caught the murderer. But not before he had committed yet another brutal murder—his third—the strangling of a little girl, whose dismembered body he scattered in Chicago sewers.

The nation gasped when the killer turned out to be a clean-cut seventeen-year-old boy, an honor student at prep school and a faithful church-goer.

We are inclined to look upon murder as an adult crime. But statistics contradict: two homicides a day are committed by American boys and girls under twenty. And one of them is by a boy or girl under eighteen.

But that is not the worst. Teen-age murders increased twenty-five per cent in 1945 over the previous year. Preliminary figures for 1946 indicate still another sharp increase.

Yet most if not all child murders could be prevented by prompt social action and medical treatment. Even the honor student could have been caught before he killed at all.

A fourteen-year-old boy horrified a little California town by the cold-blooded killing of a kindly neighbor. A frail, scared-looking child, he walked into her home, asked for a cookie and shot her in the back. When police asked why, he answered: "I just felt like killing."

Questioned further, he confessed the murder of a fifteen-year-old girl schoolmate. Police had listed the death as accidental.

"I wasn't mad at the girl," he explained. "I just wanted to kill her. She was alone in the cabin where her folks lived. I grabbed her arm and twisted it and pushed her into the bedroom onto the bed. Then I choked her with a rag. I put her on the floor and piled magazines around her. I poured the lighter fluid and set them on fire. Her hair was on fire when I went out."

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The case histories of teen-age murders invariably reveal that their crimes arise from twisted minds and emotions that can be straightened out by prompt and effective application of expert knowledge and skills. It behooves an advanced civilization to heed that anguished cry: "For heaven's sake catch me before I fall!"—Owen Sound Daily Sun-Times.

Report Discovery Of Fresh Water Lakes In Antarctic

Reported discovery of a second Antarctic "oasis" by Admiral Byrd's wide-ranging fliers seems to confirm the fact that the south polar continent is not the continuous frozen waste that the world conceived it to be. The existence of wide stretches of open land studies with fresh-water lakes suggests the possibility of establishing permanent settlements there, for which the mineral resources of these regions might be exploited for the benefit of mankind.

As associated in our minds with palm trees growing in the desert, need to say, there are none of these in the Antarctic. But in one of the lakes at least some trace of vegetable life was found. Rimmed by thin ice as it was, its warmish water contained living algae as well as mineral crystals. Indeed, the growing algae are believed to have given these lakes the extraordinary color which, when they were first spotted from the air, made them seem almost like an optical illusion.

A seaplane settling on the surface changed the illusion to startling fact. The lakes were there, unfrozen. The area around them was free from ice, with beaches wide enough to accommodate whole squadrons of planes. Inland conical outcroppings of dark red rock rose like small volcanoes. All also in this strange land remains mysterious and unexplained.

A scientific expedition is now on the way to Byrd's Oasis. Perhaps when Byrd's explorers return their report will widen our knowledge. It would be important to know whether these oases are fed by warm springs or are merely open areas in the path of a retreating glacier. This would bear on the future development of the southern continent, for warming, volcanic clearings might be able to support human activities all the year round.

Whatever significance these unsuspected polar oases may prove to have, they are certainly the most surprising discoveries of Operation High-Jump.—New York Times.

Gold is the best conductor of heat, and is second to copper as a conductor of electricity.

Fabulous Willow Run In War And Peace



The tremendous job of reconstructing the great Willow Run, Michigan, bomber plant from war to peacetime roles is now complete, and here are two views of the fabulous plant as it looked before and as it looks today. At right: Giant four-engined bombers that later did a mighty bit in the



winning of the war are shown in the final stages of assembly. Left: The same floor as it looks today with a pair of 2,000-foot assembly lines churning out 45 automobile-bodies an hour each for the Kaiser-Frazer Company. These lines turn out the bodies from raw stampings to final inspection.

"New Gibraltar"

Gander, Newfoundland, Real Crossroads Of The World

(By Cecile Hamilton in New York Herald Tribune)

GANDER, Nfld.—Every 24 hours an average of more than 400 air-line passengers stop at Gander, en route either westward to the United States, Canada and Latin America or eastward to Europe, Africa and Asia. No spot on the face of the earth is more a "crossroads of the world", yet there probably is no comparable place about which so little is known.

To trans-Atlantic passengers who clamor of the planes for an hour's rest and a meal while their ship is serviced, Gander is something of a shock. Whether they are prime ministers, tourists, war brides, business men, or just the emigre floss and jetman of a ravaged world, the experience could not be more strange were they off-loaded on Mars.

Here they are, in the midst of musk and spruce, high-piled snow and clear Arctic air more than a hundred miles from anything that reasonably could be called a town; yet the terminal is, if anything, more modern, attractive and efficiently run than those of New York, London and Paris.

Gander is not a town. It is an airport with complete living quarters and facilities for its 2,000 employees, about 80 per cent of whom are Newfoundlanders. Although most planes remain only an hour or two, Gander is staffed to care for as many as 3,000 passengers, with food and comfortable sleeping accommodations always in readiness.

The field is operated by the Newfoundland government's Civil Aviation Department, and its only supply line is the gallant little single-track Newfoundland Railway, which requires 12 hours to make the 250-mile run from St. John's, capital of Newfoundland and oldest city in North America.

Eleven years ago caribou and moose were the only inhabitants of the area and Gander was but a nameless milepost on the railway where it passes Gander Lake. Construction of the field was started in 1936 by the British government to provide a base for experimental trans-Atlantic flight by two airlines—one British, the other American.

Largest airport in the world when it was finished in 1939, Gander has four runways, one 4,900 feet long, and the other three 6,000 feet long, equal to La Guardia's longest. One of the latter is 1,200 feet wide.

Located on a flat plateau some 50 miles from the east coast of the island, Gander is far enough inland to be free of the infamous fogs caused by the meeting of Arctic current and Gulf Stream along the Grand Banks to the southeast.

However, Gander's greatest asset is its geographic position. For Newfoundland, oldest overseas possession of the British Empire, is closer to Europe than any other spot in North America. Even flights via the Azores stop at Gander, the 1939 Gander hop being shorter than way than via Bermuda. From Ireland the distance is 1,925 miles to Gander, as against 5,070 to Bermuda; and from the Azores it is 1,430 miles to Gander, as against 2,065 to Bermuda.

It was this geographic position which made it possible to ferry thousands of bombers via Gander to Britain during the war.

Today this air-base "Gibraltar of the New World" is a king-pin in the development of commercial trans-oceanic air transportation.

France Aided By Fashion Industry

We don't know whether a chap can walk into a men's furnishing shop in Paris and buy a shirt or a pair of socks. We're somewhat in doubt to doubt it. But neither scarcity of materials, government upheavals, international crisis, even war itself can halt the great French women's fashion industry of which Paris is the hub.

Paris has outdone itself this month through the creation in the atelier of one of the great fashion establishments of a dress whose market value is placed at 25,000,000 francs or approximately \$300,000. This neat little number is described thus:

"Empire bolero of peacock green velvet embroidered with 213 diamonds worn in reverse over a long sheath skirt of shining white satin. It is a Balenciaga creation."

It is, of course, an evening garment and long white kid gloves are to be worn with it. Costumes of such sumptuousness are sometimes described as the stuff that Communism is made of. But not in France where women's fashions override in importance any sectional political considerations. Besides, creation of this kind are not made for the domestic market. They are in the vanguard of French goods which bring in precious United States dollars and Argentine pesos to the nation's treasury—Ottawa Journal.

CLASSES IN STREET CARS

HAMILTON.—Hamilton school-children may soon be going to school in street cars—stationary ones, that is. The shortage of school space has led to possibility of using old street cars for temporary classroom accommodations.

Large Number Recross Border

Over 11,000 Canadians Returned From U.S. Last Year

Immigration officials at Ottawa cannot explain why so many Canadians who went to live in the United States are returning to Canada. Said one, "Maybe it was the high prices in the United States, or perhaps they were just homesick."

Whatever the reason, some 11,469 recrossed the border to live in Canada during the year 1946. In other words, one in every seven of the 71,719 new immigrants to this country came from the States.

This is good news at a time when so many of our public men are bemoaning the trek of young Canadians to the larger centres across the border. We can take a greater degree of comfort out of the return of 11,469 former citizens who came back after trying both countries, than we take alarm out of the departures for the far away green fields.

Proposes U.S. Build Two Luxury Liners

WASHINGTON.—Construction of two United States luxury liners was proposed by Representative Willis W. Bradley (Rep.-Calif.), when he disclosed that the ill-fated liner John Ericsson had been granted a waiver of safety requirements.

Bradley, chairman of a House Merchant Marine Sub-Committee which approved legislation extending for another year the Coast Guard's power to grant such waivers, said he is drafting a bill directing the Maritime Commission to build the new ships.

He estimated it would take two years to construct them, and said they would be "the finest ships afloat," excelling the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth in speed, safety and comfort, although not in size.

A former sea captain, Bradley said he inspected the John Ericsson recently and again after he burned at her New York pier.

"She never should have run in the first place," Bradley said. "She was too old and out of date, having been built in Hamburg in 1928 of typical foreign-ship construction."

The 20,000-ton vessel was taken over by the United States in December, 1941, for use as a troopship.

If You Were

If you were busy being kind, Before you knew it, you would find You'd soon forget to think 'twas true That some one was unkind to you. If you were busy being glad, And doing just the best you could, Although your heart might ache a bit, You'd soon forget to notice it.

If you were busy being good, And doing just the best you could, You'd not have time to blame some man.

Who's doing just the best he can. If you were busy being right, You'd find yourself too busy quite To criticize your neighbor long. Because he's busy being wrong.

—The Centinel.

Plumes of the snowy egret, before the days of bird protection, sold for four times their weight in gold.



BETWEEN THEM—THE CHAIR — "After you, my dear Alphonse," said Georges Bidault, French foreign minister, in effect, as he offers the chair to Ernest Bevin, Britain's foreign secretary. Not to be outdone by proverbial French savoir faire, Bevin gestures, "Ah no, Gaston, after you." The scene was made in the Subprefecture, in historic Dunkirk, where the two men met for the signing of the new fifty-year Franco-British military alliance.



U.N. GROUP AT GREEK CAMP — The United Nations' commission currently investigating alleged violations of the Greek frontier by neighboring states listens to the gesticulating governor of the Pafos Meles internment camp in Salonika, where Greek political prisoners are kept. Inmates of the camp, who carried banners on their chests reading "The British must get out," were also given an opportunity to tell their stories.

THE SPORT WORLD . . .

The Kenora, Ont., town council has granted permission to the Kenora Ski club to campaign for funds to build a war memorial ski jump at an estimated cost of \$15,000. When funds are campaigned for the new jump, most of the actual labor will be undertaken by members of the club.

Britain will go back to the ice again. The fuel ministry has amended its ban on use of fuel at greyhound racing to allow meets Saturday afternoons and evenings.

With her cream-colored convertible car and special licence plates, Ottaviana will have no trouble recognizing their own world amateur skating queen, Barbara Ann Scott. The registration number, held by licence officials last January in hopeful anticipation Miss Scott would win, is 47-U-1 (1947—you won).

Calgary is bent on building a new rink, with a capacity of 7,500. The hockey surface will be 200 by 90 and there will be eight dressing rooms.

The Elbow, Sask., recreational council has \$500 toward construction of a swimming pool in a grove on the banks of the Saskatchewan river, according to Roland Dykes, council president.

Coaches of United States league clubs named Regina's Murray Armstrong the most valuable player and also selected him to coach the second all-star team. Murray went from Buffalo to Dallas in mid-season.

Minneapolis, Minn.—An early start on the construction of Minnesota's new rink was promised at the annual meeting of the Minnesota and District Community Rink association. G. A. Holtby, president, said it is believed the rink will be ready for use next fall.

Bert Lindsay, Kirkland Lake, Ont., dad of Detroit Red Wings' Ted Lindsay and himself an early-day National Hockey League performer, has invented a hockey net with a "safety device" designed to make life easier for players crashing into the goal. The goalposts are on a breakable joint, which allows them to bend backwards through an arc of 32 inches when pressure is brought upon them. The top bar extending from post to post works on a universal joint which keeps the posts in an upright position normally.



GHOST FLEET READY FOR THE SEA IN 30 DAYS—Riding at anchor in the Philadelphia, Pa., naval base are cruisers and other major units of the Atlantic reserve fleet which have been completely preserved. This force, which includes the 35,000-ton South Dakota, hero of the battles of Santa Cruz and Guadalcanal, among other battleships, could become the most powerful task force upon the sea in 30 days. The fourth naval district, with headquarters in Philadelphia, is leading the nation by a wide margin, in recruiting organized reserves to prepare these ships for action if need be. The local reserve complement is 1,200 men.

Atlantic Leviathan

'Queen Elizabeth', Largest Vessel Ever Constructed, Is Outstanding

THE Cunard-White Star liner Queen Elizabeth, with her length of 1,031 feet and her estimated gross tonnage of 85,000, is the largest and longest vessel ever constructed. She was launched on September 27, 1939, at Clydebank, by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, whose name she bears. The most obvious change in outward appearance from other ocean giants was the provision of two funnels only, due to the reduction in the number of boilers. Space saved thereby allowed for a complete rearrangement of passenger accommodation.

Transferred to London the Queen Elizabeth would be practically the same length as Waterloo Bridge, and would overlap the familiar river facade of the Houses of Parliament by some forty yards. Placed on her keel in Trafalgar Square, her funnel tops would soar above the head of the effigy on the Nelson Monument and her mastsheads some fifty feet above it.

There is a crew of 1,200, accommodation for 2,300 passengers—the equivalent of three differently-priced hotels—and all the amenities of a city in the way of shops and other places of interest. Steam is supplied by twelve high-pressure water-tube boilers. They are the largest boilers ever constructed for a ship and contain 71,000 tubes.

In addition to her main engine rooms, the Queen Elizabeth has a huge power station housing four turbo-generators for supplying power to the auxiliary machinery and to the "hotel" services of the ship. These generators are capable of providing electrical energy sufficient to meet the lighting and public services of a township containing about 200,000 people.

Thousands of experiments with 200-inch models made of paraffin wax in a tank 400 feet long, 20 feet wide and 10 feet deep helped to decide the shape of the finished ship. Seaworthiness and behavior in bad weather can be recorded by creating artificial waves in the tank.

Gyro-plot equipment gives automatic steering and, since it eliminates the human element, increases speed. A course-recording instrument automatically registers all alterations of course and the time of their occurrence.

The wireless telegraphy installation, the most comprehensive system ever installed afloat, ensures constant communication throughout the transatlantic voyage with both Europe and America.

Radio-telephone service is also recorded. Through instruments fitted in each of about 500 cabins, passengers can talk direct to any telephone subscriber in almost any part of the world. Secrecy in conversation is ensured by the process known as "scrambling".

THRILLS of the ROARIN' GAME

By AB GOWANLOCK, Dauphin, Man.

Canadian Curling Champion—1938.

Looking back over the games our rink played on the way to the Canadian championship in 1938, I think that the toughest battle we had was against Billy Finlay, Vancouver rink, representing B.C. We were tied coming home and I had lost rock. I don't remember the early part of the last end, but when I stepped up to the hack, B.C. had one rock almost completely inside the four-foot ring from corner another hit on the same side of the house. Both were well guarded. There was nothing on the other side at all, but we couldn't play an out turn draw to the button as there was such a swing in the ice that I couldn't keep off the guard.

Bing Cartmell, the third man, and I, decided to play an in turn draw with my first one to make sure of the ice. We had to stay close to the guard to keep inside the four-foot ring with the weight. I made the shot, but Billy came down, took my rock out and rolled over beside his other stone, leaving me to do the same shot again. On the way down the ice, Billy asked me, "I thought I could do it again and I told him I was going to try awfully hard."

I made the shot and it was the most thrilling moment of my career as a curler. Cartmell was so excited he couldn't stand still. The veteran Cliff Manahan of Edmonton stood with Billy to watch the result of the shot, for if I had missed, it would have meant a three-way tie. I had previously beaten Manahan and Manahan had beaten Finlay. If Finlay had beaten me, it would have forced a playoff.

Believe me, the four happiest curlers in the Dominion of Canada that day were four Manitobans—Bing Cartmell, Billy and Tommy McNaught and myself. I'm hoping for another crack at the Brier one of these days but I doubt if I'll ever get a bigger thrill than I did in 1938.

All vegetables are eaten with a fork; this applies to peas also.



BAND LEADER RESCUED—More than 100 planes joined in the search for Decita, Puerto Rican band leader, and her secretary, Alice Cagle, who were missing 24 hours on their aerial fishing trip when their pontoon-equipped plane was forced down at Twin Keys bank, Florida, by engine trouble. Harefooted Decita is shown as she climbed from the cockpit of the coastguard plane which made the rescue.

Proves Truth Of An Old Proverb

According to This Week that necessity is still mothering invention is apparent from a report of a four-alarm fire near Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The engines were hampered not only by deep snow, but by low water pressure in the mains. At a crucial moment a "880g"—one of those big rotary snowplows—arrived on the scene, plunged into a big drift and sent the snow flying all over the burning building.

Probably the first recorded instance of fighting flames with snowflakes.

Knit On 2 Needles



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by Alice Brooks

Brighten up your bathroom easily and inexpensively. It can be done by knitting a gay rug, seat, stool cover, Crocheted loop fringe.

Rug cotton, or old stockings can be knitted into colorful bathroom accents. Done on 2 needles. Rug is 31 inches. Pattern 7314 has directions.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS

BRIEFLY TOLD

N. A. Bulgarin has been appointed deputy prime minister of Russia, the Moscow radio announced.

A Pennsylvania doctor melted down 3,000 buckets of snow to recover a diamond ring lost in a drift.

Surgeons at Oakland, Calif., recovered a toothbrush swallowed by John Mayer, 66, while brushing his teeth. Add cost-of-living notes: The London board of trade has permitted a £1.18 (\$4.30) increase in the ceiling price of perambulators.

Reconstruction Minister Howe said in the commons that The London board of trade has permitted a £1.18 (\$4.30) increase in the ceiling price of perambulators.

Special stamps will be issued by the Chinese government to mark the forthcoming opening of the China-Siam air service, it was announced.

A big optical camera has taken over a 60,000-square-foot war factory, in Lurgan, Northern Ireland, giving work to more than 800 men and women.

The Japanese transportation ministry reported that leaping in front of railway trains had become a favored form of suicide in the last year, and that of 1,241 who jumped, 970 were killed.

DELEGATES AMUSED WHEN NAMES CALLED

Big Four conference delegates at Moscow laughed when names of the military sub-committee of the foreign ministers' deputies dealing with the Austrian treaty were announced. They were Col. Francis H. Cox of the United States, Colonel Chikin, Russia; Brig. Arthur Dove, Britain, and General Feruche (the French word for Parakeet) of France.

Approximately 95 per cent. of all rivers in North America flow south or into streams flowing south.

SENSITIVE TO LAXATIVES?

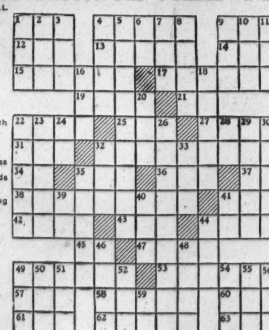
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HORIZONTAL

- 1 Atmospheric condition
- 4 Mistake
- 9 To prohibit
- 12 Exit
- 13 Prepared
- 14 Guide's high note
- 15 Heedless
- 17 Wooden pins
- 19 To check
- 21 Initials of 26th President
- 22 Pinnal duck
- 23 Spack
- 27 Ireland
- 31 Game of grass
- 32 Makes li-napant amuse
- 34 Neuter pronoun
- 35 Male offspring
- 36 Rear part of vessel
- 37 Near
- 38 Asia
- 41 Southwestern Indian
- 42 Silkworm
- 43 Distress call
- 44 To box
- 45 To perform
- 47 Keen
- 49 Small water-vay
- 53 Mottled
- 57 Afternoon party
- 58 Concentrated person
- 60 Man's name
- 61 Joke
- 62 Scottish cap



VERTICAL

- 1 Distant
- 2 Native metal
- 3 Precious stone
- 4 Gossip
- 5 Citizens
- 6 Egyptian sun god
- 7 Unusual
- 8 Hindu peasant
- 9 Singing insect
- 10 Everyman
- 11 Shakespeare title
- 12 Name
- 13 Take from
- 14 Condemned
- 15 Engine
- 16 Bulgarian
- 17 Moving
- 18 Exalts
- 19 Lease
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- 21 Fish eggs
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- 25 Vast age
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China Aims To Have More Ships

NANKING.—Ships flying the Chinese flag will be a regular sight in all principal world ports, particularly those of the South Seas and the West Coast of the United States and Canada if a new two-year shipping rehabilitation program drawn up by the Chinese government is fully carried out.

Under this new plan—made public at a time when the country's leading shipping interests are demanding a firm stand against any foreign requests for inland navigation rights—China is to have between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 tons of shipping by 1949.

This is to be acquired by new building, purchases abroad, Japanese reparations and salvage of vessels sunk during the war in Chinese waters.

A less ambitious scheme calling for increase of shipping tonnage by about 100,000 tons to the pre-war level of 600,000 tons during 1946, was achieved last September.

The first stage in the new plan calls for an estimated 700,000 tons to replace the foreign tonnage that has been withdrawn. It is hoped to achieve this target by the end of this year by purchase from the United States and Canada and new building in Chinese yards.

Some time this year the Chinese government also hopes to receive about 530,000 tons of Japanese shipping as reparations.

The second and last stage of the expansion program calls for acquisition of large-sized craft of a total tonnage between 500,000 and 1,000,000 tons. Most of these will be ocean-going freighters and will be used to carry China's imports.

It is likely that work will begin some time in the next few months on a long-planned new dockyard in Shanghai which will be capable of building and repairing ships up to 30,000 tons. Most of the necessary equipment will be supplied by Japan as reparations.

Chow Mou-Pak, shipbuilding expert of the National Resources Commission, is expected to leave for Japan shortly to arrange for shipment of the equipment.

The new dockyard, which will be situated in the Wooning area—at the mouth of Shanghai Harbor—will take three years to complete.

FOR ATOMIC AGE

A new dry battery that may be useful in an atomic age for warning persons of dangerous radio-active rays was announced recently by the National Carbon Company, New York. The battery is 500 volts, but small enough to fit in the palm of a man's hand.

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Answer To Last Week's Puzzle

ACROSS
1. BALD
2. OFFER
3. CHAIR
4. OFFER
5. BALD
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Denmark Is Not Giving Up Greenland

COPENHAGEN.—Foreign Minister Gustaf Rasmussen told Parliament that Denmark never will give up Greenland.

He said the Danish Government was striving to clear Greenland of Americans and expected that they would be gone in "the not too remote future."

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

BIRTHDAY GOLD BRICK

By BESS JANETHE KNIGHT

THE second time the doorbell demanded attention Polly Reidford moved slowly to answer. She wasn't interested in doorbells. Her mind was on the birthday dinner she and her sister were giving that night.

The boy said, "Special delivery." Polly signed for the letter. From the kitchen Edda called, "Who from?" Her dark eyes staring at the ceiling Polly answered, mockingly dramatic, "Our dear Uncle Joseph Jackson."

"What does he want?" Edda asked, coming into the living room. Polly was reading the letter. She gasped, "He's coming here. My heavens, he's due today. Or," she cried, consternation flooding her face, "he can't do this to me. The first birthday party I've had in five years and he comes to upset things."

"That means seven at the table and some rearranging," Edda nodded, her voice practical and calm. "Maybe he'll be on his good behavior."

"You're optimistic," Polly answered, "how our Mother ever had such an annoying rover for a brother is beyond me. But he's generous," she added grudgingly, "and I think he's really fond of us."

"Umhum," Edda unmed doubtfully,

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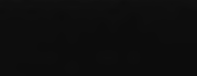
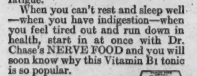
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"and don't forget he owns one third of this property."

This house had been the family home since the two were little girls. Now that they were alone their parents gone, their one brother married and living in a distant city; the girls stayed on in the big house enjoying its comforts at the end of each day's work. School teaching and medical laboratory research kept Polly and Edda busy and well in funds for any need.

A rattling taxi deposited jovial Uncle Jose at the front door at noon. He boomed when he greeted them. "Get my letter? Thought I better give you a little warning so you'd be home."

Polly said, "Your letter came just this morning."

"It did?" he asked surprised. But to Polly the surprise was faded. Then he saw the table.

"A party? Your birthday, huh?" he grinned at Polly.

"Yes," she said tonelessly, "tonight."

"Just in time," he nodded, a pleased smile spreading over his tanned face. He stroked one side of his impressively respectable moustache and his eyes twinkled behind the rimless spectacles. "Reckon I better go down and shop the rest of the afternoon."

"Don't do it," Edda put in. "You'll wind up buying Pershing Square or the Plaza."

"Now, Edda," Uncle Jose admonished, "your old Uncle ain't that dumb. A gold brick, maybe. But not, not Pershing Square. Don't believe the city fathers would let me take it away."

He chatted all during lunch, telling them about his trip West, how he wasn't over going to live back in the cold East again. He'd decided maybe he'd finally accept his share of his sister's home for his old age. The girls exchanged glances and Polly thought with a sigh, if I have to put up with twenty one little brats all day and listen to Uncle Jose every evening.

"Well, girls," Uncle Jose left the table. "I'll trot on down town. Got to find some seat of nice present for Polly. Plumb forgot it or I'd have bought something on the way."

"Oh, no you wouldn't," Edda said, "then you wouldn't have any excuse to go down town."

"Well, maybe, maybe not," he said with a grin. "What'll you have, Polly, in case I can find it?"

"Just bring me a gold brick," Polly said airily "you'll probably buy one anyway."

He chuckled and carefully placed his hat on his head so that his grey hair showed generously on the right side. "That the right angle?" he asked Polly, a merry glint in his eyes.

The afternoon wasn't any too long for Polly and Edda with the work they had planned for their party. At four-thirty the telephone rang.

"Hey," Polly heard Uncle Jose call when she answered, "To down on the East side. What car do I take to get home?"

"What in the world are you doing on the East side?" she demanded.

"Met a friend," he said, "got that gold brick too. For your birthday."

"Oh, dear," Polly sighed. Then she told him what car to take and how to transfer and cradled the telephone. "He said he'd bought my gold brick," she told Edda. "I wonder what silly thing he's spent his money on now."

"Why don't you let him worry about his money? There's plenty of it," Edda said. "Maybe it'll be something you will like." "I doubt it," Polly said pessimistically.

Their dinner guests arrived and

Recipe

Dissolve 1 tsp. sugar in 1/2 c. lukewarm water; add 1 envelope Royal Fast Rising Dry Yeast. Let mixture stand 10 min. Then stir well. Scald 1/2 c. milk, add 3 t. shortening, 1/4 c. sugar, 1/2 tsp. salt; cool to lukewarm. Add 1 c. sifted flour to make a batter. Add yeast mixture and 1 beaten egg; beat well.

Add 2 1/2 c. sifted flour or enough to make a soft dough. Knead lightly, place in greased bowl. Cover; set in warm place, free from draft. Let rise until doubled in bulk, about 2 hours. When light punch dough down; roll out into oblong piece, about 1/4" thick. Brush with 3 t. melted shortening or butter. Sprinkle with 1/2 c. brown sugar, 1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon, 1/2 c. raisins. Roll up lengthwise in a tight roll; cut in 1" slices. Place cut-side up, at a time, in greased shallow baking pan. Cover; let rise in warm place until light, about 1 hour. Bake in 425° F. oven about 20 minutes.

Recipe

Cream Cheese Frosting

3 tablespoons butter
6 ounces (2 packages) cream cheese
Dash of salt

1 1/2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Cream butter, add cheese and salt, and blend. Add sugar, a small amount at a time, beating well after each addition. Add vanilla. If necessary, chill until of right frosting to cover top. Spread with Cream Cheese Frosting.

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NEW VARIETY WHEAT, SAUNDERS, PROMISING FOR NORTHERN ALBERTA

—200 BUSHELS FOR SEED

The most promising early wheat for northern Alberta has been developed at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. It has been given the name of Saunders. Disclosing further particulars of the new wheat, recently recommended at Winnipeg for licensing, the Dominion Department of Agriculture said that this new variety meets its objective of an earlier disease-free wheat of Thatcher

Originating from a cross between Thatcher and C26-44.7 in 1938, Saunders is the result of nine years of research. Development of this variety would have taken even longer had not the Cereal Division of the Dominion Experimental Farms raised two crops a year in its greenhouses.

For five years the most promising seed of early wheat for northern Alberta in the Peace River area and for four years on Experimental Farms and Stations in Western Canada.

Over this final four-year test, the new variety averaged in Alberta, a bushel more than Thatcher, slightly better than that of either Red Bob or Marquis. It matures three days earlier than Thatcher and five days earlier than Marquis, important considerations in the relatively brief frost-free growing period of the Peace River area.

The Cereal Division has bred into this new wheat resistance to those diseases which limit yield in North-west Canada. Saunders is resistant to stem rust and loose smut, and moderately resistant to bunt, leaf rust

and root rot. The Saunders kernel has the good colour of Marquis, and is better than that of Thatcher.

The variety has been named Saunders in recognition of the contributions to wheat growing of Dr. William Saunders, first director of the Experimental Farms Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, and his son, Sir Charles Saunders, first Dominion Cerealist. Sir Charles developed Marquis, the first early hard spring wheat.

Other grains developed by the Dominion Experimental Farms include many varieties of disease resistant oats.

J. G. C. Fraser, Cereal Division, who has headed this project of an earlier wheat for the Peace River area, today stressed the participation of numerous scientists in the development of Saunders wheat.

"No one man should get credit for it," he said. "These cereal developments are on a project basis and everyone works on them. While I was selected to head this project, I had the co-operation of other plant breeding cerealist, plant pathologists who studied the variety's increasing resistance to disease, and the Division's chemist and his associates who reported on the protein content and baking quality of flour milled from this wheat."

Mr. Fraser said that there are only 200 bushels of seed of this variety and these will be sown this spring at the Dominion Experimental Stations at Lacanville and Beaverbridge, Alberta. There they will be increased for wider distribution in 1948.

FLOUR IS BIG EXPORT

Wheat flour now ranks high among the products exported by Canada to other countries, because of its value during the past year only by newspaper paper and wheat.

GARDEN NOTES

Don't Rush

Given a few hours of sunshine and a little warm weather, and the average man starts to worry over getting the garden planted. This is a natural reaction after a cold or tough winter, but experienced gardeners advise caution. There is no need to rush the season in most parts of Canada.

True; early, hardy flowers, all day stock, grass seed and some of the first vegetables can be planted just as soon as the soil is fit to work. And it is so important! There is nothing to be gained and sometimes there is actual loss by digging the soil when it is too damp. In clay that will result in mud and, later on, lumps that may take weeks of hard work to pulverize. If one can wait through the garden without getting the shoes muddy, the soil can be worked safely, but not before. If it crumbles when released it is safe to proceed with digging or sowing. If it compacts into a ball then the experts say to let it alone for a day or two.

Beginners are cautioned, too, against planting all the garden on one afternoon. It is far better to spread it out. Beets, carrots, beans, spinach, lettuce, radish, etc., can be planted every other week right up to late June and the harvest will be spread accordingly. Flowers, too, can be spread over several weeks. Some things, however, like grass seed, nursery stock, garden peas, sweet corn, best all planted early. Bedding plants like petunias, zinnias, stocks, spider plants, tomatoes, cabbage, etc., should not be set out until all danger of frost is over. Tender things like gladiolus, cannas, melons, squash, corn, etc., also come in this category.

Nursery Stock

This term applies to newly purchased shrubs, perennial flowers, vines, trees, raspberry canes and all other things which one normally buys from a nurseryman. Healthy stock will come along quickly with hardly a check. The plants should be kept cool and moist and if they cannot be planted in their permanent location right away they should be "heeled in," that is temporarily planted in a trench with the soil heaped up well above the roots. When replanting it is advisable to supply plenty of water and keep watered for the first few weeks. Planting is best done in the cool of the evening or on dull days, and some shade from hot sun is advisable with tiny things.

Some Showy Flowers

A really wonderful showing can be made with half a dozen annual flowers. Cosmos, Marigolds, zinnias, petunias, portulaca, nicotina, spider plant, calendula, alyssum, stocks, etc., are easily grown almost anywhere in Canada. Some of the larger flowers can be used in the place of shrubs. Seeds should be started early and in finely prepared soil. Plants are transplanted to permanent quarters when they are well established with several sets of leaves. Ready started bedding plants can be bought from the seed store or greenhouse. For husky growth, tall things like cosmos, gladiolus, dianthus, giant marigolds and zinnias should have about two feet each way—petunias and similar things need about a foot.

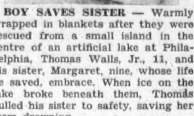
Chicken Feathers To Make Men's Suits

VANCOUVER. — Harold German, farmer from Chilliwack, B.C., told the Rotary Club here that a recently-discovered process of making textile fabrics from chicken feathers would inject fresh vigor in British Columbia's already booming poultry industry. Feathers from 40 broilers made sufficient material for a man's suit, he said.

More than a thousand different weaving operations are required in the manufacture of a single motor car.



BOY SAVES SISTER — Warmly wrapped in blankets after they were rescued from a small island in the centre of an artificial lake at Philadelphia, Thomas Walls, Jr., 11, and his sister, Margaret, nine, whose life he saved, embrace. When ice on the lake broke beneath them, Thomas pulled his sister to safety, saving her from drowning.



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Fuel Oil Prices May Increase Sharply

This year's unprecedented boom in domestic furnace installations may bring sharply higher prices for fuel oil in its wake, says W. L. Duck, in The Financial Post. So great is demand for fuel oil because the whole Canadian refinery process has been thrown temporarily out of balance and far-sighted officials predict price in-

crease inevitable in the near future. Some say 15c a gallon is not unlikely in Eastern Canada (present price is 11 1/2c). A few predict even sharper increases in the next 18 months. Once the ugly duckling of the refinery industry, fuel oil is now vying with gasoline for an ever-increasing share of the crude oil gallon. Where once oil companies were glad to get rid of the fuel oil after taking out all the more volatile elements, they now find they have to produce furnace oil as a product instead of a by-product.

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Henry Ford Dead; Nation Mourns

DETROIT, April 10.—Henry Ford died at 11:40 p.m. Monday night.

Death came to the noted automotive pioneer, who would have been 84 years old next July, a little more than 1 1/4 years after he retired from active direction of the great industrial empire he founded in 1903.

At that time he was in excellent health, but turned over the management of the vast empire to his grandson, Henry Ford II, because, he said, he wanted to devote more time to personal interests.

The exact cause of the famed automotive pioneer's death was not immediately known. It was announced by the news bureau of the Ford Motor Co., nearly two hours after it occurred.

The famed industrialist died at his estate in Fairlane, in suburban Dearborn, not far from where he was born in 1863.

Ford was reported to have been in excellent health when he returned only a week ago from his annual winter visit to the Ford estate in Georgia.

The octogenarian pioneer of the automobile industry dropped completely out of the management of the far-flung Ford Co. when he resigned as president late in 1945. There are Ford manufacturing companies in a number of countries outside the United States, including Canada.

He had been able to spend some time each week at the Ford engineering laboratory where he maintained a private office and workshop, but was rarely seen about the administration building where affairs of the big company were directed.

There were many reports that the elder Ford had given up his leadership of the Ford interests at the insistence of other members of his family, particularly his daughter-in-law, the widow of the late Edsel B. Ford. Although never confirmed officially, reports had it that she was dissatisfied with the course of company affairs.

Henry Ford developed a world-wide industrial empire and one of the most colossal family fortunes in the history of the world out of what had been ridiculed at the turn of the century as "a lot of crazy ideas."

Fame and fortune ignored him until he was past his 40th birthday. Then both came to him in huge measure. For, in the language of honorary degrees conferred by the University of Michigan and Colgate University, he had "brought into being an industry that changed the course of the world" and had become of the select company assured of perpetual fame.

As a 14-year-old boy on his father's farm in Greenfield township, near Detroit, Henry Ford built a steam engine and became obsessed with the idea that mechanical power could be harnessed to do much of the work of a man and beast. From this idea, these developed eventually the urge to build a "horseless buggy" at a price that would bring it within the reach of the "average man."

Ecuador Invites Immigrants

The Republic of Ecuador, in South America, announces its bid for colonists by opening up 120,000 acres of rich land for British and American colonization. The usual offer has been made possible by presidential decree and the endorsement of the Minister of Economy and Minister of Public Works. Every settler may obtain 124 acres of potential farm land, a townsite lot in one of two villages of the land concession located upon Ecuador's new, all-weather highway that links the concession with Quito, capital city of the republic, and will soon link the colony with the port city of Esmeraldas on the Pacific coast. Married men, or heads of families, may have twice as much land, 248 acres.

Although crossed by the equator, this area of Ecuador enjoys a salubrious climate due to the cold Antarctic Humboldt current which sweeps inshore as it flows north past this part of the country. The nearness of the snow-capped mountains in the central cordillera, also tend to create a climate that is ideal and with no extremes of either heat or cold in spite of the equatorial geographical location.

Soil experts state that the earth in this land concession is equal to that of Java, long recognized as the richest in the world. Java and Ecuador are about the same size, yet Java supports fifty million people while Ecuador's total population is a scant three million. Among the

Bag Limit on Ducks Reduced

The Canadian duck hunting season will be shortened and the bag limit reduced from last year in the light of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service survey that there are only 34,000,000 ducks and geese on the North American continent, an official of the wild life protection division of the mines and resources department said here.

Commenting on the 34-million figure released at Washington which showed a decrease of 26,000,000 from last year—the greatest one-year decline on record, a division spokesman said he did not know just what reduction would be made in season and bag "but there most certainly will have to be a cut."

In Washington, Albert M. Day, director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said it probably will be necessary to curtail but not close completely the waterfowl hunting season in the United States next

fall. Day based his estimate on the annual inventory which placed the North American population of ducks and geese at 34,000,000. This is 26,000,000 less than in January 1946.

This is the greatest one-year decline in waterfowl population on record, the agency said.

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